

SPECIMEN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
HIV Diagnostics and Reference Laboratory, Diagnostics and Countermeasures Branch
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Serology Clinical Test Request Form

Test Requested	Specimen Requirement	Draw Tube	Shipping Conditions
<input type="checkbox"/> HIV Algorithm	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 ml serum (SST Tubes)	SST Tubes – Invert 5X and allow to clot for 30 min (no more than 2 hrs.) post-collection. Centrifuge 10 minutes at 1000-1300 RCF in a swing bucket centrifuge. NOTE: Tubes MUST be allowed to clot for 30 minutes.	Ambient 15-30°C – SST tube must be received at HDRL within 48 hours of collection. Refrigerated 2-8°C – SST tube must be immediately stored and shipped in cold box with ice packs and received at HDRL within three (3) days of collection.
<input type="checkbox"/> Acute / PrEP HIV Algorithm	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 ml plasma (PPT) EDTA preferred, (Sodium Citrate, CPD, CPDA-1, ACD plasma is acceptable)	PPT tubes – Invert 8-10X. Spin tubes within 2 hrs. of collection. Centrifuge in swing-out rotor centrifuge at 1100 RCF for a minimum of 10 min. Freeze plasma aliquot at -20°C.	Frozen -20°C – Ship frozen aliquoted sample with dry ice if sample will not be received at HDRL within three (3) days of collection. When shipping frozen, use 2+ lbs. dry ice per day of transport. Shipment with an additional 6 lbs. of dry ice is recommended in case of shipment delay.

Please fill the request form completely to ensure timely specimen processing.

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION	CONTACT INFORMATION
Patient identifiers <u>MUST INCLUDE</u>: Full Name _____ DoD ID _____ <div style="text-align: center;">OR</div> EMP/SSN _____ DOB _____ Specimen Draw Date / Time: _____ Ship Date: _____	POC _____ Physician Name _____ Clinic / Center _____ Center Address _____ _____ _____ Telephone Number _____ Fax Number _____ (Commercial # only; please include area/country code) Alternate POC Name _____ Alternate POC Phone _____

PROCESSING LABORATORY (For HDRL use only)		
BARCODE	DATE RECEIVED	QUANTITY & TYPE RECEIVED / INITIALS

Fax/Email a FedEx tracking and/or invoice number to ensure all shipments sent to the HIV Diagnostics and Reference Laboratory are received, IAW CAP GEN.40530
Shipping Address: 508 Research Dr., Silver Spring, MD, 20910